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FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW
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SUBJECT: AMBASSADORIAL SUPPORT FLIGHT MAY 14/16, 1976

1. FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION, FOLLOWING IS TEXT
UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION (OPENING AND CLOSING OMITTED) OF
LETTER DATED MAY 11 FROM MFA USA DIVISION DEPUTY DIRECTOR
FEDOSEYEV GRANTING SOVIET GOVERNMENT PERMISSION FOR SUPPORT
FLIGHT:

(BEGIN TEXT) REFERRING TO THE EMBASSY'S LETTER OF 23
APRIL 1976, I WOULD LIKE TO ADVISE THAT AS AN EXCEPTION PER-
MISSION HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR THE FLIGHT OF A SPECIAL
PLANE ON WHICH THE AMBASSADOR OF THE USA TO THE USSR, W.
STOESSEL, INTENDS TO DEPART FROM MOSCOW MAY 16, 1976. THE
NOTED PERMISSION IS GIVEN ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS PLANE
WILL BE USED ONLY FOR THE SPECIFIC MISSION AND NOT FOR THE
TRANSPORTATION OF A USAF MUSICAL ENSEMBLE.

85 8 (TO BE) BORNE IN MIND, THAT THE FLIGHTS FROM
COPENHAGEN TO MOSCOW MAY 14, 1976 AND FROM MOSCOW
TO COPENHAGEN MAY 16, 1976, WILL TRAVEL ON THE
INTERNATIONAL AIR ROUTE VENTSPILS, RIGA, VELIKIE
LUKI, BELYY, MOSCOW WITH A SOVIET ESCORT CREW ON BOARD.
THE CORRESPONDING SOVIET ORGANIZATIONS WILL TAKE
NECESSARY MEASURES FOR SERVICE OF THE FLIGHTS AND
RECEPTION OF THE NOTED AIRCRAFT. (END TEXT)

2. AT SOCIAL EVENT MAY 12 FEDOSEYEV MENTIONED TO AM-
BASSADOR THAT PHRASE, "AS AN EXCEPTION" IN ABOVE TEXT
WAS PRO FORMA LANGUAGE WITHOUT SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE AND
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IMPORTANT THING WAS THAT PERMISSION GRANTED FOR FIRST

TIME FOR DIFFERENT TYPE OF PLANE (DC 9 JET VICE DC 6
PROP USED EARLIER).
STOESSEL

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